## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A hot melt adhesive comprising a neutralizing material.
- 2. The adhesive of claim 1 wherein the neutralizing material has a flashpoint of greater than 100°F.
- 3. The adhesive of claim 2 wherein the neutralizing material has a flashpoint of greater than 200°F.
- 4. The adhesive of claim 3 wherein the neutralizing material Quest material Q-29071.
- 5. The adhesive of claim 3 wherein the neutralizing material Quest material Q-29072.
- 6. The adhesive of claim 4 or 5, wherein the adhesive is a rubber based adhesive containing a hydrocarbon tackifier and/or a terpene tackifier.
- 7. The adhesive of claim 1 which is a pressure sensitive adhesive.
- 8. The adhesive of claim 1 which is a low application temperature hot melt adhesive.
- 9. An article of manufacture comprising the adhesive of claim 1.
- The article of claim 1 which is a book, a label, a case or carton, or a nonwoven article.
- 11. The article of claim 1 which is a disposable absorbent article comprising a liquid-permeable topsheet, a liquid-impermeable backsheet, a fluid-absorbent core material positioned between the topsheet and the backsheet and a hot melt adhesive containing a nonencapsulated neutralizing material.

- 12. The article of claim 9 wherein the neutralizing material has a closed cup flashpoint of greater than 100°F.
- 13. The article of claim 12 wherein the neutralizing material has a closed cup flashpoint of greater than 200°F.
- 14. The article of claim 12 wherein the neutralizing material is Quest Fragrance Q-29071.
- 15. The article of claim 12 wherein the neutralizing material is Quest Fragrance Q-29072.
- 16. The article of claim 14 or 15, wherein the adhesive is a rubber based adhesive containing a hydrocarbon tackifier and/or a terpene tackifier.
- 17. The article of claim 11 wherein the fluid absorbent core material comprises a nonwoven fabric.
- 18. The article of claim 11 wherein the backsheet is attached to the topsheet.
- 19. The article of claim 11 which is a diaper, a feminine hygiene product or adult incontinent product.
- 20. The article of claim 11 wherein the hot melt adhesive is a pressure sensitive hot melt adhesive.
- 21. A method of reducing or counteracting malodors comprising adding to a malodorous composition an amount of a neutralizing material effective to reduce or counteract the malodor to a desired degree.
- 22. The method of claim 21 wherein the malodorous composition is a hot melt adhesive.

- 23. The method of claim 21 wherein the malodorous composition is a tackifier.
- 24. The method of claim 20 wherein the neutralizing material is Quest Fragrance Q-29071 and/or Quest Fragrance Q-29072.